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**Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.** 

Friday, September 15, 2000

## **Around D-M**

#### AEF processing

AEF 1 and 2 deployment processing is scheduled for Oct. 10 and 24 from 8 to 11 a.m. in Building 4859. Call 8-4500 for more details.

#### AFSA meets

The local chapter of the Air Force Sergeants Association, Chapter 1261, is meeting Sept. 21 at 3:30 p.m. in the enlisted club. It is open to all active-duty and retired enlisted members. The chapter meets on the third Thursday of every month. Call Master Sgt. Rob Altenbernd at 8-9654, Senior Master Sgt. Rich Schultz at 8-5744, Master Sgt. Kevin Wakefield at 8-3402 or Tech. Sgt. Reisz at 8-3341.

#### **POW/MIA** ceremony

A Prisoner of War/Missing in Action recognition ceremony will be held at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in the Lindsey auditorium, Building 4 at 9 a.m. today.

#### **New colonels**

The following officers were selected for promotion to colonel: Regina Giles, Kirby Hunolt and Todd Lins, 12th Air Force; Thomas Schnee, 355th Operations Group; Steve Doss, 607th Air Control Squadron; and Glenn Weaver (formerly 357th Fighter Squadron).

#### Days since last D-M DUI:



Need a ride? Call Airmen **Against Drunk Driving** at 850-2233.

(Current as of Thursday)

#### **Warriors** prepare

Staff Sgt. Guy Dashnea, prepares to fire from the tactical position during a training scenario. The 355th Security Forces Squadron Contending Warrior Team has been mentally and physically training, in the art and skill of combat tactics and marksmanship, for the upcoming Contending Warrior Annual Air Combat Command Security Forces Competition that will be held Saturday through Sept. 24 at Indian Springs Air Force Auxiliary Field, Nev.



Senior Airman Amy McBeth

## CFC kicks off

getting ready to make this year's Combined Federal Campaign Davis-Monthan's best ever.

"Last year, the Davis-Monthan community truly opened their hearts to the CFC, coming just short of an all-time record," said Maj. Richard Harrington, base CFC project

This year's goal is to raise \$300,000 for charitable organizations, from those organizations located right here on base, and extending worldwide.

The campaign begins Monday and continues to Oct. 31; the theme this year is "Time to Share."

Volunteers in each squadron will contact members in their worksections and provide them with catalogs listing the eligible organizations and forms to make allotments from their paychecks or the options to make an immediate payment in one lump sum. "Allotments

More than 300 volunteers are the most popular and convenient method," according to Harrington.

Donations can be made to anyone of more than 1,500 organizations of the donator's choice.

The CFC is a fund-raising drive that was established in the 1960s to support local, national and international charities through a single event once a year. The program was designed to eliminate multiple fundraisers; previously campaigns were held periodically throughout the year, thus inconveniencing employees and producing a lower return.

"Every day the CFC helps people not only world-wide, but right here at home. Last year alone, the Davis-Monthan community received over \$20,000 of CFC funds, directly supporting our airmen. I'm excited to be a part of this great and noble cause which improves so many people's quality of life. It's a great



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355th Operations Group -Maj. Brad Byrd 8-9660

355th Support Group -1st Lt. Gretchen Reed 8-3446

355th Logistics Group -

1st Lt. Sarah Maile 8-3630 355th Medical Group -

Maj. John Johnson 8-2918

AMARC -Peg Nelson 8-8440

12th Air Force -Capt. Matt McCabe 8-6363

time to be at Davis-Monthan, and it's a great time to share," Harrington said. (Courtesy public

## Commander's Corner



#### Commander's Salute

This week, I salute three unknown good samaritans from D-M who helped Billie Mealka get her car started when it stalled in the base exchange parking lot Aug. 30. Well done!

**Col. Bobby Wilkes** 355th Wing Commander

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a common goal we all share as members of Team D-M.

Ideas, suggestions, comments and kudos are an important ingredient for continuous improvement.

The fastest way to pass along comment or to get an answer to your concern is to contact the agency chief or functional manager listed here.

Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is available 24 hours a day, at **8-4747**, or you can send an e-mail to us at:

355thWing.CommandersCorner@dm.af.mil.

If you leave your name, phone number and a message, you'll receive a prompt reply, either in writing or by telephone. We will honor your confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather additional information. If your concern is of general interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the *Desert Airman*. Anonymous calls may not be published in the newspaper, we recommend you leave a contact

phone number if you'd like us to provide an answer.

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Services	8-5596
Transportation	8-3584

#### Birth certificate

**Comment:** How can I get a duplicate of my son's overseas birth certificate from the overseas American consulate and where I would get one in the United States?

**Response:** Thank you for using the Commander's Corner and allowing us to answer your concern.

To obtain a certified copy of the FS-240, Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America, also known as a Consular Report of Birth, your child, if older than 18, must submit a request in writing. As the parent, you can request the copy if your child is younger than the age 18.

The request must contain the following information: the full name of the child at birth; the date and place of birth; the names of the parents; any available passport information; the signature of the requester and, if applicable, the requester's relationship to the subject; and the

whereabouts of the original document.

The fee for obtaining a duplicate is \$40.00 and should be made payable to the U.S. Department of State. For copies of birth records of persons born in foreign countries who are U.S. citizens at birth (birth of a child abroad to U.S. parents) send the written request to the U.S. Department of State at:

Passport Services Correspondence Branch U.S. Department of State 1111 19th Street NW, Suite 510 Washington, DC 20522-1705

Call Staff Sgt. Theresa Maagoul at 8-5242 if you have any further questions about this issue.

#### O'Club barbers

**Concern:** While getting a haircut at the Officers Club Tuesday, I observed that only one barber was working. When I asked why, I was told that it was to save money.

If this is correct, I suggest you have someone re-examine this position. How can you save money if you are cutting down services in moneymaking operations?

In my view, there should be at least two fulltime barbers on duty, five days a week, as long as they are cost effective.

**Response:** Thank you for your concern about the barber shop at the Officers Club.

The Officers Club always tries to schedule at least two barbers for each shift. There are four barbers on staff; however, one was out sick, one found another job and one can only work Mondays. This leaves only one barber available for Tuesday through Friday.

We are vigorously working the problem and hope to have a solution in the very near future. Thank you for your inquiry and we apologize for any inconvenience. Call Bo Treadway, business operations flight chief, at 8-3847 for more information.

## **Your Final Answer?**

#### Where are you from and what do you miss most about "home"?



Capt.
Chris Zentner
354th Fighter Squadron

"I am from Calabasas, California, which is in Southern California. I miss the beach and my pet hamster."



Airman Basic Terrence Sykes 355th Services Squadron

"I am from New York City and I miss the architecture, 24-hour establishments and the cooler weather. I especially miss the snow."



Retired Master Sgt. Armando Millabas 355th Logistics Support Squadron

"I am from Antioch, California. My immediate family is here, but I miss my relatives, family gatherings, food and family stuff."



Staff Sgt.
Jennifer McDowell
355th Services Squadron

"I am from Decatur, Illinois. I miss the four seasons — the green grass and the trees. I am a mid-western girl at heart."



Military Dependent Linda Laskowski Sabino High School, junior

"I am from Marcy, New York. It's a small town in up-state New York. I miss the small town atmosphere, the grass and the trees."



Lt. Col. Mike Archuleta **355th Services Squadron** 

"I am from Taos, New Mexico. I miss my mom's home cooking. It's difficult to narrow down my favorite, but her apple pie was great among many of the things she cooked."

## Security Forces gear up for 'warrior' challenge

**By Angie Erickson** 

**Public Affairs** 

As you go about your typical day on Davis-Monthan AFB, you probably don't think about the mission requirements of those military members outside of your organization.

Take the contending warrior team from the 355th Security Forces Squadron. They have embarked upon a challenge that few can boast. For nearly seven weeks they have been mentally and physically trained, in the art and skill of combat tactics and marksmanship, for the upcoming Contending Warrior Annual Air Combat Command Security Forces Competition that will be held Saturday through Sept. 24 at Indian Springs Air Force Auxiliary Field, Nev.

While it is an annual competition, not everyone can compete. Perhaps that is why there was a lot of talking, among the security forces seven weeks ago about who would try out for the team.

"Every year it is the same thing; 20 or 30 cops talking smack about coming out, and as usual 10 guys to include myself show up," said Staff Sgt. Guy Dashnea.

This year 10 Security Force members attempted to make the cut, but only the top five made the team and the sixth top score plays the vital role of alternate. Tryouts consisted of a fitness test, which included the two-mile run, pullups, dips, push-ups, sit-ups and a weapons firetest with the M-16 rifle and the M-9 pistol.

When the smoke had cleared the following team members were selected: Staff Sgts. Dave Owen, Dashnea and Levi Cass; Senior Airman Brian Vaught; Airman 1st Class Troy Grady; and Defender Challenge Alternate, Airman 1st Class Sajid Afridi.

"The standards are very high, and in order to meet or beat those standards you have to be disciplined and willing to train," said 2nd Lt. Terry Neidecker, contending warrior coach.

"I told myself 1998 would be the last year I competed in contending warrior. In 1999, once again I promised myself it would be the last time. Here it is, September 2000 and I find myself facing the daily nightmare again," said Senior Airman Brian Vaught. "Every year the competition is a little stronger, a little faster, making it a daily struggle to maintain my spot on the team and this year isn't any different."

What is a typical day like for these military members? Starting at 5 a.m. the team, alternate and coach, hit the ground running, and they don't stop until their 12-hour day is through.

"The training for this competition is no joke,"

Their training has consisted, on a average day, to start with around 300 to 400, four-count jumping jacks, 200 to 300, four-count push-ups, situps, with either a two-mile run in a gas-mask or 400-meter sprints. From there they go to the range where they fire thousands of rounds from the M-16 and M-9. Next it is on to the swimming pool where they perform relay races, dive for golf balls and swim dozens of laps. Lunch is short so they can get to back to either weight training or practice air base defense scenarios such as how



enior Airman Amy McBet

Staff Sgt. Dave Owen, contending warrior, captures aggressors during a training scenario.

to react in forced-protection environments and possibly to a downed pilot.

About two days a week they go to Fort Huachuca, an Army post located in Sierra Vista, Ariz., and run the 21-obstacle confidence course that is a mile and a half long.

"I think this is the hardest part of our training," said Cass. "It tests your stamina with running and also your upper body strength to get over the obstacles. Any time one of our guys is feeling burned out or tired, all the other team members will push him to get through that last half mile or get him over that last obstacle."

After they run the confidence course two or three times they take advantage of the Army's sophisticated training environment. They either go shoot the M-16 pop-up targets from 50 to 300 meters away, or the M-203 grenade launcher targets, or several thousand rounds of 7.62 at distances from 300 to 1000 meters, or they might just go on a two-to four-mile land navigation course.

They usually have one fun day. This might be on Saturday when they run to the top of Sabino Canyon, or on a Sunday, when they shoot in pistol competitions at Pima Pistol Range for several hours.

"Each member has their favorite and least favorite aspect of training," Neidecker commented. "However, they work for the good of the team. Everything is done for the team."

"Believe me, some of the things I can do now, seemed impossible seven weeks ago. But I have exceeded those expectations and then some," Cass said. "One of the other things we do is run two miles on the base track with gas masks. Before I started this training I could barely breathe in a gas mask standing still, much less run two miles with it on in the heat of the day.

Running with the gas mask on forces their lungs to work harder, pumping the air in and out, so that when they take it off and run, they run faster and farther.

"Every day is a gut check. It is strange to hear a grown man moan in pain every day, hands full of blisters, and barfing on occasion," said Dashnea, a three-time competitor and gold and bronze medal winner at the World Wide Challenge – the competition that follows Contending Warrior. "It all brings our team a little closer. It is hard to believe how much pain I put myself through every day, but I know it is for a reason — Hearing the jingle and jangle of medals hanging from your neck and knowing that you are one of the top cops in the Air Force. I believe it is my greatest military accomplishment."

Dashnea also credits Maj. Myron Freeman, 355th Security Forces Commander, for allowing the team to be in a special-duty status that would allow the team to train during the duty day. "I would find it hard to believe that any team has trained as hard as ours. This team is the best well-rounded team I have ever been on," Dashnea.

Like any competition there are rules and a scoring method. The competitors will be scored for their performance based on a point system. There will be 19 ACC teams who will compete in the three main categories this year: Fitness Challenge worth 300 points; Defender Challenge worth 400 points and weapons events worth 300 points include the M-60 machine gun, M-203 grenade launcher, M-9 pistol and M-16 rifle competitions. Final team standings will be based upon the accumulated points awarded for each competition, for a maximum of 1,000 points.

Neidecker believes that his team is the team to beat. "Three of our team members have prior competition experience, but more importantly, they each have their special skill that they will compete in during the competition," he said.

Cass and Owen will compete with the M-9, M-16, Fitness Challenge (obstacle course) and Defender Challenge (tactics test); Dashnea will compete with the M-16, M-60, Fitness Challenge and Defender Challenge; Vaught will compete with the M-9, M-16, M-203 and Defender Challenge and Grady will compete with the M-9, Fitness Challenge and Defender Challenge.

The team leaves Saturday to compete. Regardless of winning, they will return with greater insight to their mission, increased knowledge and a sense of teamwork, which will prepare these military members to lead tomorrow's Air Force, according to Neidecker.

# Officials distribute travel survey to Davis-Monthan AFB members

**By 1st Lt. Nikki Credic** *Public affairs* 

Pima County officials recently distributed the Pima County Travel Program Reduction Survey, and Davis-Monthan Air Force Base is a key player.

According to the base survey coordinator, 2nd Lt. Rex Lutz, 355th Transportation Squadron, the survey not only shows people's environmental concerns when commuting, but it also provides information for possible ways to reduce vehicle pollution, such as city transient systems and car pooling.

"The main purpose of the survey is to promote

and measure alternate mode usage by employees in their home-to-work commute, Lutz said.

Lutz explained that an example of critical information would be how often people ride their bikes to and from work.

Lutz explained that of the 6,500 surveys sent to D-M, the county requires a return rate of 70 percent; however, the base's goal is higher.

"The 355th Transportation Squadron would like to get a return of 90 percent," he said.

If D-M does not reach the 70-percent return rate, the county could fine the base.

D-M members can get a survey from their unit Travel Reduction Program representative or they can call Lutz at 8-3294.



Senior Airman Amy McBetl

#### **Annual Roll By**

Lt. Col. John Sokolsky, 355th Operations Support Squadron commander, reviews his checklist as he inspects a vehicle during the annual Roll By Sept. 6 and 7. The roll by is an Air Combat Command requirement which allows commanders to evaluate the status of the base vehicle fleet and determine which vehicles need to be replaced.

## Officials say charge official plane tickets to travel card

Just when you think the government travel card program has made every change possible, another one pops up. Procedures for purchasing and paying for official domestic travel, specifically airline tickets, are undergoing the latest revisions.

Effective Oct. 1, all official domestic travel must be purchased using your GTC (also known as an Individually Billed Account). This change doesn't apply in the following cases:

- ♦ Permanent Change of Station or Temporary Duty travel of 30 days or longer
- ◆ International and/or overseas travel

- ◆ Group travel involving nine or more individuals travelling on the same travel order
- ◆ Individuals who don't have or can't obtain a card
- ♦ When directed by the traveler's commander on the travel order

In these instances, the travel management office will bill a centrally billed account.

The initial steps for purchasing the ticket are the same. Members must use contracted SATO offices to book and purchase airline tickets. They will request the person's individual's GTC or place the charges on the centrally billed account at the time they get the tick-

ets. If after-hour SATO assistance is needed, call 1-800-827-7777.

"The biggest change will come when you return and file your travel voucher," said Maj. Andy Coggins, 355th Comptroller Squadron.

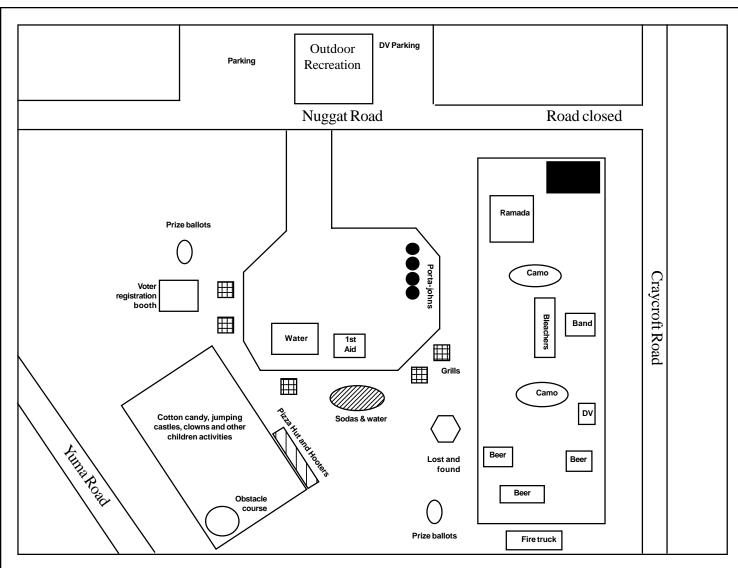
Travelers must claim the ticket on their TDY voucher (under block 18, reimbursable expenses) and attach the receipt for the ticket. It is the individual's responsibility to claim these tickets on their TDY settlement voucher.

The finance staff will continue to screen all TDY vouchers to ensure proper reimbursements are claimed; however, they can avoid any unpleasant surprises by submitting a proper voucher the first time. There are multiple payment options, and no valid reason to have a late payment.

For TDYs longer than 45 days, "interim or accrual" vouchers can be filed monthly to pay GTCs. Coggins suggests people contact finance customer service for instructions to file these vouchers prior to departure. A complete voucher is due within five duty days after arrival.

Call Master Sgt. Pam Condino at 8-5949 or Tech. Sgt. Scott Dougan at 8-6617 for more information; for TMO/SATO questions, call Karen Ann Hutton 8-5579. (Courtesy 355th CPTS)

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#### D-M 50 Picnic

The D-M 50, local community leaders and base supporters, are hosting a picnic for all base personnel and their families at Bama Park Sept. 23. The picnic is free and open to all Davis-Monthan Air Force Base members and their families from 1 to 7 p.m. The Swan Road Gate will be open from noon to 8 p.m. during the picnic to facilitate traffic flow.

## Chief steps up to challenge

**By Karen Halstead** 

Public affairs

As an airman, about 23 years ago, Chief Master Sgt. John Foran thought he had the answers to all the problems in his unit. Through time, he learned he didn't always have the answer.

Today, as the 355th Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant, Foran is in a position to help get problems solved and find the answers for the enlisted corps.

Foran assumed the position Aug. 31. As the command chief, Foran is responsible for advising the commander about the welfare and morale of the enlisted force.

"People are going to have a hard time finding me in the office," he said.

He must attend meetings and community events, and take care of paperwork, but he will always set aside time for the troops.

Besides taking advantage of forums — such

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John Foran

355th Wing

355th Wing command chief master sergeant The people who can make things happen are the commanders, chiefs and first sergeants ... that's where things are changed and issues are dealt with.

as Airman Leadership School, First Term Airmen's Center and the NCO Career Enhancement Seminar — to talk with the enlisted corps, he says he will block out several hours at a time on his schedule to go visit with the troops in their work areas.

Foran has always encouraged supervisors to set aside time for their people.

"If you don't force yourself (to make the time) it won't happen," the chief said.

"I want to be the (point of contact) to take unresolved issues and work them," he said. "The people who can make things happen are the commanders, chiefs and first sergeants. That's where things are changed and issues are dealt with," Foran said.

When he accepted the top enlisted position for the wing, he already knew most of the senior enlisted corps and how many of them fix problems.

"I'll depend on their help to get the word out," he said. "There's no way I could do this job without the assistance of them. No single person can make something happen, but as a group we can."

He will also depend on top leadership to assist in the growth of the junior enlisted corps.

"We need to make sure we afford our junior ranks the time to come to meetings such as the First Six Council (previously the base advisory council)," the chief said. "This is a great avenue to get the views of our lower ranks out to the leadership." Foran will act as an advisor to the council.

The Chief's goal is to re-instill standards and pride by setting an example and ensuring the standards are enforced.

"Somehow Air-Force discipline has slipped," he said. "When I was coming up in the Air Force, we stood up when another member entered the room. It shows respect to the other person. Things like this aren't happening in today's

## Chief's Group names sharp troops

The following people were recognized by the Davis-Monthan AFB Chief's Group with the Sharp awards for the month of August: Airman James Totton, 355th Security Forces Squadron; Airman Miraflor Winter, 355th Operations Support Squadron; Airman 1st Class Cameron Cromer, 357th Fighter Squadron; Airman 1st Class Ray Duke, 355th Component Repair Squadron; Airman 1st Class Armando Cota, 355th Security Forces Squadron; Senior Airman Christine Clay, 355th Medical Group; Staff Sgt. Charles Petty, 612th Air Communications Squadron; Staff Sgt. Michael Craycraft, 358th FS; Staff Sgt. Nadine Love, 12th Air Force; and Tech Sgt. Paul Davis, 355th Logistic Support Squadron.

force."

"Our NCO corps is not held in the highest esteem," he said. "It shouldn't require a member to make master sergeant before people respect them; it should happen when they become an NCO. I'd like to re-instill and reinforce these values at all levels of leadership for our NCOs," he said

One of the places NCOs get the training to become good leaders is through professional military education.

"Professional military education is very important," Foran said. "We should focus on the professional development of our troops. We shouldn't have to twist people's arms to get them to go to PME. People ought to jump forward to go to these educational programs. We need to instill the importance of this training."

Foran said he doesn't have a personal agenda for his new position.

"I just want to make sure I always listen to the voices and opinions of our enlisted force and make their voice heard."

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## Air Force Print News

## Uniform prices expected to change

Each year the Defense Supply Center in Philadelphia reevaluates issue uniform prices based on costs of material, labor, distribution and warehousing.

These adjustments, whether up or down, must be taken in October ... the beginning of the government fiscal year.

The good news is that regardless of any changes, your Army and Air Force Exchange Service still has the best price in town by selling issue military clothing at cost, with no mark-up.

In addition to the basic assortment of issue items, AAFES offers "optional" items procured from commercial sources and sold at normal mark-up, with earnings benefiting Air Force Services' programs, as well as the Army's Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs.

This month, military members and their families will be able to use the new all-services Military Star card to purchase uniform items and any other items sold in more than 9,000 exchange locations around the world.

AAFES customers are reminded to plan ahead and purchase items in advance to avoid October price adjustments.

If you are in a location that does not carry issue items, please use the AAFES Web site to make all your issue uniform purchases. (Courtesy of AAFES Public Affairs)



Senior Airman Delia Ca

Tech. Sgt. John Maldonado, 603rd Air Control Squadron, Aviano Air Base, Italy, is one of the many active-duty members who may be affected by price changes.

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#### By Chief Master Sgt. **Herman Arias**

355th Logistics Group

This week begins the monthlong observance of Hispanic Heritage at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and around the country. It is appropriate that we recognize Hispanic Heritage, because even a cursory glance at today's culture reveals the growing influence of Hispanics in the United States.

Billboard's Top 100 Albums for March 25 included Carlos Santana, Ricky Martin, Christina Aguilera, Jennifer Lopez, Enrique Iglesias and Marc Anthony.

Baseball's top pitcher for 1999, Pedro Martinez, home-run hitter Sammy Sosa, and golf's teenage sensation Sergio Garcia are just a few who show Hispanics are a significant part of the culture helping to shape America's youth. In turn, our youth become future Senators, Congressmen and military leaders.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that Hispanics represent 11.4 percent of the population in 2000 and will become America's largest minority group by 2010 at 13.8 percent of the population. Hispanics represent a significant portion of today's military services and serve at virtually every level from E-1 to service secretary. As of September 1999, 7.7 percent of U.S.

## Hispanic influence continues to grow, make a difference

... Hispanics throughout the United States are making a difference and it is no different within our nation's military ...





active duty forces, including Coast Guard people were Hispanic, up from 4.6 percent in 1990. The percentage of Hispanic commissioned officers on active duty rose from 0.9 percent in 1977 to 3.8 percent in 1997 and continues to

Hispanics have long been an integral part of the military, making immeasurable contributions, and receiving 38 Congressional Medals of Honor. Army Pvt. Marcelino Serna of New Mexico was the first Hispanic to be awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his actions in World War I.

Army Pvt. Jose Martinez, also from New Mexico, was the first Hispanic to be awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in World War

Horacio Rivero, born in Ponce, Puerto Rico, was the first Hispanic four-star admiral in the Navy.

Richard Cavazos, from Texas, was the first Hispanic general in the Army, and Edward Hidalgo, born in Mexico City, was the first Hispanic Secretary of the Navy.

Louis Caldera, also Hispanic, was born in El Paso, Texas and now serves as the current Secretary of the Army.

While Hispanic representation in the military has grown, Secretary Caldera recognizes the need for it to increase even further.

In his July 16, 1999 speech to the League of United Latin American Citizens, Caldera stated "We can't fill the ranks if we are not tapping into the fastest growing demographic group in the nation." He announced initiatives to increase recruitment and retention of Hispanics which included increasing investment in stay-inschool programs and expanding Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps programs, adding 50 new high schools a year every year for the next five years. One reason there is a big demand for Hispanics is the increase in operations in Spanish-speaking areas such as Central America.

More and more Hispanics are deploying to these locations which require bilingual people to work hand in hand with the local military and civilian population.

It is readily apparent Hispanics throughout the United States are making a difference and it is no different within our nation's military. I can personally attest to that fact. The Air Force has given me great opportunities and because of that I have advanced to the highest enlisted rank — a long way from where I started as a child, picking onions in the fields of New Mexico.

#### Welcome to Davis-Monthan

Col. Charles French, Commander, Air Force Weather Agency Argentine Brigadier Carlos Arnau, Head of Argentine Air Force Intelligence

#### **355th Wing Flying Goals**

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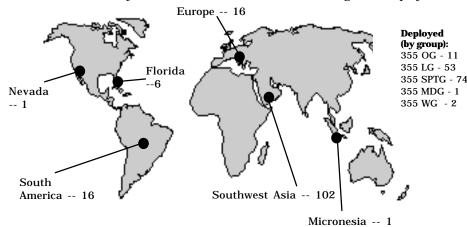
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This time last year, **108** members of the 355th Wing were deployed.



Total: 142

Other locations -- 0 Current as of Monday 355th Mission Support Squadron

Personnel Readiness Unit

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## **By Tech. Sgt. Edward Sudac** 355th Security Forces Squadron

Force protection is everyone's business. But for people working around Protection Level 1, 2, or 3 (old term is Priority A, B, C) resources the responsibility is even greater. A lot of people may think this doesn't apply to them; security forces will detect security violations and everything will be just fine. Wrong!

Air Force Instruction 31-101, Air Force Installation Security Program, outlines responsibilities. People working on the flightline in areas containing Air Force Protection Level assets are the first line of defense to detect unauthorized intrusions or possible hostile events. The bottom line is workers must provide internal control and surveillance for aircraft parked in restricted areas during hours of operation. Other responsibilities include, securing aircraft undergoing maintenance in hangars, wearing restricted area badges when required and utilizing designated entry control points. These tasks may seem simple, but it is the standard for a strong physical security program. People must also notify security forces of the location of aircraft in hangars, when and where they are moved to and when aircraft are unattended. To ensure all people working within restricted areas provide stringent security measures, Headquarters Air Combat Command mandated the Flightline Protection Program.

This physical security awareness program establishes procedures to strengthen and bolster physical security and force protection among all people performing duties within Protection Level 3 restricted areas. The program

# Flightline, force protection go hand in hand



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An exercise near one of the base's protection level assets test flightline security. In the scenario above, Tech. Sgt. Randall Lujan, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron (second from right), radios information as security forces members go through apprehension procedures.

specifically focuses on evaluating the effectiveness of physical security training, while continuously improving the level of security awareness. The 355th Security Forces Squadron has the responsibility to manage the FPP as directed by the 355th Wing Inspector General.

SF responsibilities include visiting restricted areas to assess physical security awareness training and conducting a minimum of 10, 355th WG no-notice exercises per month. Exercise reports are compiled to show a summary of exercise results, positive and negative trends, improvement efforts and recognizing outstanding performers. Reports are posted on the 355th WG/IG Web page for review. Each

quarter, a 355th WG Physical Security Awareness Report is submitted to ACC reporting the wing's FPP results.

For FPP exercises, the ACC goal and minimum acceptable level for PL-3 aircraft security, is detection of unauthorized individuals in less than 15 minutes, with a 70-percent detection rate. A strong installation FPP results in detection percentages higher than 70 percent. The wing goals at Davis-Monthan AFB are as follows:

- 1. Promote and establish the highest level of security for all wing PL-3 assets.
- 2. Achieve and report to ACC, a 100-percent detection rate for all monthly FPP exercises.
- 3. Receive "Combat Ready" ratings for all 355th WG and ACC

IG inspections in this graded area.

4. Recognize people who perform outstanding on FPP exercises.

To meet these goals, the installation commander has approved and initiated the Vigilant Warrior Program. To be recognized as a Vigilant Warrior for the month, people must meet and demonstrate the following criteria:

- 1. Detects, detains and removes the intruder(s) immediately out of the restricted area.
- 2. Initiates a Helping Hand report and ensure all people in the surrounding area know of the situation (puts all co-workers on alert).
- 3. Sounds the alarm and relays the exact location of the Helping Hand to Security Forces Control Center or Maintenance Operations Control Center by radio, telephone or runner. Knows the Helping Hand Hotline telephone number, 8-7777.
- 4. Implements the hand and arm signals for Helping Hand/Covered Wagon and help/relief needed.
- 5. Knowledgeable of the current 355th WG duress words and actions to take for a duress situation.
- 6. Knows which open area on the AF Form 1199A (Restricted Area Badge) grants unescorted entry to the area.
- 7. Demonstrates a sense of urgency.

Recipients will be recognized by the wing commander and awarded a Vigilant Warrior of the Month certificate.

We all must do our part in safeguarding our critical assets for mission accomplishment. For more information on the FPP, call Senior Master Sgt. Ray Blecker at 8-5633, or myself at 8-3240.

## Health Focus

## 5-A-Day for better health

**By Capt. Verne Futagawa** 355th Medical Group

What if somebody invented a health program that would cut your cancer risk, help you control blood cholesterol, blood pressure, diabetes and control your weight without doctors, drugs, or deprivation?

Well somebody did and it is called the 5-A-Day for Better Health Program. It is a collaborative effort between the National Cancer Institute and the Produce for Better Health Foundation. The Department of Defense Nutrition and Health Promotion has joined this national effort by establishing an ongoing nutrition campaign with this simple positive message: eat at least five or more fruits and vegetables daily for better health.

DOD objectives for the program are to increase awareness of the importance of eating at least five servings of fruits and vegetables daily, and to provide our personnel and their families with specific information on how to incorporate 5-A-Day into their daily eating patterns. A survey of active duty people indicated that 81 percent had not heard of 5-A-Day and 67 percent believed they needed to eat less than five servings of fruits and vegetables a day for better health.

The possibilities for adding more fruits and vegetables to your day are endless. It is as easy as adding a glass of 100-percent fruit or vegetable juice to breakfast, having a side salad for lunch, a vegetable or fruit as a snack during the day and having two vegetables at dinner instead of just one, and you have your 5-A-Day.

Contrary to some misconceptions, servings are smaller than you think.

One serving is defined as:

1 medium fruit or ½ cup of small or cut up fruit

34 cup (6oz) 100-percent fruit or vegetable juice

¼ cup dried fruit (raisins, apricots, dates)½ cup cooked vegetables

1 cup raw leafy vegetables (spinach, lettuce) Fruits and vegetables have other added benefits to keep you healthy.

They are loaded with vitamins and minerals for body function.

They fill you up but not out. They're great when you're trying to lose weight and want to feel full.

Helps keep you regular (controls diarrhea and constipation).

Has soluble fiber that aids in controlling blood glucose and cholesterol.

DOD dietitians and health promotion managers have picked up this program because this simple positive health message has the potential for a major impact on keeping our people healthy and mission ready.

According to the U.S. Surgeon General, the three most important personal habits that influence health are smoking, alcohol consumption and diet. For the two out of three adults who do not drink excessively or smoke, the single most important personal choice influencing one's long term health is what one eats. The Surgeon General's Report on Nutrition and Health (1988) clearly establishes the fact that two-thirds of all deaths involving coronary heart disease, stroke, atherosclerosis, diabetes and some types of cancer are related to what we eat. In fact, approximately 35 percent of all cancer deaths in America may be related to diet.

The link between diet and the leading causes of death in America is alarming, but also promising.

Of all dietary factors thought to be related to cancer, the research evidence in more than 200 human epidemiological studies show a consistent association between a high intake of fruits and vegetables and a decreased risk for a variety of cancers. A number of studies have shown that those who usually eat five or more servings of fruits and vegetable a day have approximately one-half the risk of getting cancer compared to those who eat one or fewer servings of fruits and vegetables a day.

# Debt collection officer available to help

A debt collection assistance officer is available to help beneficiaries when they receive a bill after visiting an authorized health care provider. The DCAO should be contacted after the following events have occurred.

The beneficiary received a bill from a civilian provider - The beneficiary verified with the provider that all information on the bill is correct and the bill has been sent to the appropriate TRICARE or other health insurance with the correct information. If a second bill is received (there is usually a one-month gap between bills), the beneficiary should contact the TRICARE Service Center and inform them of the problem.

If a third bill is received and there is no resolution from TSC, the bill with all related correspondence is taken to the beneficiary counseling and assistance coordinator, Barbara West, in the TRICARE office in Building 417.

Finally, if you have current bills that have gone to collections, it is time to contact the DCAO. Your local area debt assistance officer is West at 8-2606. She is assisted by 1st Lt. Jeremy Hooper at 8-1506.

Remember that amid all the persuasive and astonishing research on the benefits of fruits and vegetables, they are not only drug-free delivery devices for vitamins and minerals, but they taste great, come in a variety of colors, flavors and textures and are nature's original fact food.

Call the health and wellness center at 8-2294/1003 for more information on the 5-A-Day for Better Health Program.

# **∮** Sonoran **Spotlight**

(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman that profiles a member of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base team. Members are nominated by their commander or first sergeant, and the article is compiled by the Desert Airman staff.)

Even though Airman 1st Class Melanie DeBord has only been in the Air Force for a short time, she is already making her mark and impressing her superiors.

The 22-year-old native of Midland, Mich., enlisted to "take advantage of travel opportunities, continue my schooling and get onthe-job experience."

Now, a year and a half later, DeBord is shooting to make senior airman below-the-zone and fulfill her "sense of duty."

As a public health apprentice,

she is primarily responsible for food safety and sanitation inspections. The best aspects of her job are getting to talk to all kinds of people every day, and inspecting facilities to "help make sure people on base stay healthy."

"Airman DeBord has impressed me with her attitude of going the extra mile to take care of her customers," said Col. Monique Ryser, 355th Aerospace Medicine Squadron commander. "She always does it with a smile."

DeBord said her inspiration is her mother, because "she raised five children all on her own, while working a full-time job and getting a degree in education. She's currently in the process of finishing her thesis for her master's degree in communications. She's

shown my siblings and I that any



Senior Airman Amy McBeth

goal is attainable."

DeBord likes her job and the climate at Davis-Monthan. Even though D-M is her first assignment, she said she also thought basic training was "fun."

Her hobbies include working out at the gym, playing soccer and

video games.

"One of the other reasons I joined the Air Force was a sense of duty," she said. "I don't regret that decision, and enjoy all of the benefits that being a member of the Air Force has to offer."

# Pollution prevention reduces disposed waste through RRR

Beginning Monday, D-M will observe National Pollution Prevention Week.

What exactly is pollution prevention and how is it helping to cut costs and conserve our resources in the Air Force?

According to Jay Hillman, D-M's P2 manager, "Pollution prevention is simply the reduction of waste disposed to the environment using a strategy known as reduce, reuse, and recycle."

Waste of any kind is an indication of inefficiency that directly relates to lost resources, both physically and financially.

"The largest volume of waste generated by D-M includes unused products which are no longer required by a household or industrial shop, products which have an expired shelf life, and products which have been rendered unusable by improper storage or sealing of containers ... a waste of money as well as an unnecessary source of pollution," Hillman added.

"The most effective means of preventing pollution is a management technique known as source reduction and it goes after pollution before it is even generated," Hillman said. "This requires some forethought to the planned use of the product and is part of material management. Buy only what you need. When storing unused portions of the product, make sure the

container is properly sealed and stored in accordance with manufacturer instructions. This will prevent the product from drying or evaporating and rendering it useless.

Hillman gave credit to the hazardous materials pharmacy program, managed by the 355th Supply Squadron, as one very important method the Air Force is using to track and control the hazardous material purchased on D-M.

"This program monitors the 'cradle to grave' life of hazardous chemicals used on base to prevent over-purchase and expired shelf-life problems," Hillman said.

What about changing your cleaning process to reduce the amount of waste you generate? Several examples include alternatives to paint stripping and parts cleaning. Replacing hazardous products such as a solvent with alternative "green" products that are less toxic to humans and the environment is called solvent substitution.

"Paint can be stripped by high pressure plastic beads and bicarbonate of soda, and parts are cleaned very effectively in closed cabinets using pressurized heated water," Hillman said. "Not only do these process changes reduce the amount of hazardous waste generated, it decreases air pollution and



Airman 1st Class Latonia Brown

Senior Airman Wesam Daker, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron, punctures aerosol cans for proper disposal.



Airman 1st Class Latonia Brown

John Smith, an environmental flight volunteer, labels items for hazardous waste.

saves money."

D-M has numerous aqueous jetwashers for parts cleaning, and paint is stripped by both glass and plastic bead blast media at the Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Center, and the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron Structural Maintenance Flight.

"Spill clean-up using sorbent pads, rags and specialized equipment is another area we can control by a process change," Hillman suggested. "One easy method for D-M's vehicle and aircraft maintenance shops to reduce sorbent and shop-rag usage and disposal is to use spill containment pans, reusable sorbents, and ringers to collect used oil, fuel and hydraulic fluid. The collected fuel and oil is then transferred to the used petroleum aggregation point near bulk fuels storage.

"Another reuse area is in solvent recycling and automotive antifreeze reclamation using specialized reconditioning machines.

"Last but definitely not least, we come to recycling. When a product can not be reduced or reused, recycle it. Paper, plastic, wood, glass and yard waste are just a few examples of materials which can be recycled — many right here on base."

D-M has a manned base recycling facility located southwest of Yuma at Casa Grande to help supplement and coordinate many of DM's recycling issues.

"Joe Uremovich, recycle center manager, has helped D-M achieve a 40- to 50-percent recycling rate, however, D-M needs the help of everyone in order to keep this good record," Hillman said. "Don't forget to close the loop — buy recycled."

This program is required by federal law and is called affirmative procurement, and consists mostly of paper and plastic office products, but construction projects also have an important contribution to using products made from recycled material.

Military family housing can also help by using the curbside recycling program operated by the City of Tucson. This program collects used oil (in plastic milk bottles), glass, newspaper, cardboard, plastic, and tin or aluminum cans. Additionally, the city operates a household hazardous waste collection program once a month. For information and the nearest collection point, call 888-6947.

"Remember, it takes the participation of everyone, both at home and at work, to help clean up or environment and prevent pollution," Hillman said. "Contrary to myth, P2 is not a costly luxury, but an important cost-effective means to conserve our resources."

Any questions on P2 and D-M environmental programs and directives can be sent to Hillman at 8-5897. Call Uremovich at 8-2296 for more information on the recycling center. (Courtesy of the 355th CES Environmental Flight)

## A and A Days: Cockpit notes

Retired Col. Frank Borman is best known as commander of the Apollo 8 moon mission. He is one of only 12 civilian pilots authorized by the Air Force to fly his vintage P-51 Mustang and F-86 aircraft side by side with modern day aircraft such as the F-15 Eagle, F-16 Fighting Falcon and A-10 Thunderbolt II. He will fly his F-86 (pictured at right) at Aerospace and Arizona Days 2000, Nov. 4 and 5.

A hero of the American Space Odyssey, Borman led the first team of American astronauts to circle the moon, extending man's horizons into space. He is internationally known as commander of the 1968 Apollo 8 mission. A romance with airplanes that began when he was 15 took Borman to the Air Force then to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

A career Air Force Officer from 1950, his assignments included service as a fighter pilot, an operational pilot and instructor, an experimental test pilot and an assistant professor of Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics at West Point. When selected by NASA, Borman was instructor at the Aerospace Research Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

Borman retired from the Air Force in 1970, but is well remembered as a part of this nation's history, a pioneer in the explora-



Courtesy photos

tion of space and veteran of both the Gemini 7, 1965 Space Orbital Rendezvous with Gemini 6 and the first manned lunar orbital mission, Apollo 8, in 1968.

But Borman's retirement from the Air Force in 1970 did not end his aviation career. He had begun an association with Eastern Airlines as special advisor in early 1969 and in December 1970 was named senior vice president of the operations group.

Borman was privileged to serve as Special Presidential Ambassador on trips throughout the Far East and Europe, including a worldwide tour to seek support for the release of American prisoners of war held by North Vietnam.

He received the Congressional Space Medal of Honor from the President of the United States. Borman (pictured at right) was also awarded the Harmon International Aviation Trophy, the Robert J. Collier Trophy, the Tony Jannus Award and the National Geographic Society's Hubbard Medalin addition to many honorary degrees, special honors and service decorations.



## Korean War remembered



(Editor's note: As America recognizes its veterans (over the next three years) to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Korean War, the Desert Airman will run significant events

related to the Korean War.) This week in 1950, the following significant events occurred:

**Sept. 15:** Marines invaded Wolmi-do in Inchon Harbor at dawn, occupying the island in less than an hour. The main U.S. X Corps landings at Inchon occurred at high tide, in the afternoon, after a forty-five-minute naval and air bombardment. Navy and Marine Corps aircraft from carriers provided air cover during the amphibious assault. At the same time, Far East Air Forces air raids in South Korea prepared the way for the planned Eighth Army advance from the

Pusan perimeter.

**Sept. 16:** U.S. forces secured Inchon and began moving toward Seoul. From the vicinity of Taegu, the 8th Army launched its longawaited offensive.

**Sept. 17:** Marines captured Kimpo Airfield near Seoul. To support the 8th Army offensive, 5th Air Force F-51s and F-80s flew napalm attacks, reportedly killing more than 1,200 enemy soldiers in Tabu-dong, Yongchon, and other strongholds near the Naktong River. Far East Air Forces began a week of dropping four million psychological warfare leaflets.

**Sept. 18:** Forty-two B-29s of the 92nd and 98th Bombardment Groups carpet-bombed two 500 x 5000-yard areas near Waegwan. The 1,600 bombs effectively destroyed enemy troop concentrations blocking the 8th Army offensive.

**Sept. 19:** FEAF Combat Cargo Command began an airlift to Kimpo, located near Seoul. Thirty-two C-54s landed with equipment and supplies for ground troops. Supported by Fifth Air Force close air support missions, the 24th

Infantry Division began crossing the Naktong River near Waegwan, and the 1st Cavalry Division broke through communist lines

**Sept. 20:** FEAF Combat Cargo Command expanded its airlift into Kimpo into an around-the-clock operation by using night lighting equipment it had transported the previous day. Marines entered the outskirts of Seoul. To destroy enemy reinforcements, B-29s attacked three separate barracks areas in and near Pyongyang, North Korea.

**Sept. 21:** Forward air controllers in T-6 Mosquitoes equipped with air to ground radios spotted about 30 enemy tanks preparing to ambush the advancing 24th Infantry Division. They called aircraft and ground artillery, which destroyed 14 enemy tanks and forced the rest to flee. FEAF C-54s began airlifting supplies, including sixty-five tons of rations and ammunition to newly captured Suwon airfield south of Seoul. C-119s initiated airdrops of food and ammunition to front-line UN troops.

## **Ammo bowl**

## Six teams battle for softball bragging rights

Story and photos by Angie Erickson Public affairs

The bats were cracking and the runners were making their way home scoring what seemed to more like football scores rather than softball runs during the World Ammo Bowl 2000 held over the Labor Day Weekend at the Mustang Fields.

In its 15th year, teams from Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, Hill AFB, Utah, Mountain Home AFB, Mont., Cannon AFB, N.M., and Luke AFB, Ariz., came out to compete in the tourney held every other year at D-M.

"It's more than a softball tournament, said Ronald Orr, tournament director and munitions production superintendent for the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron. "It gives Ammo troops, young and old, an opportunity to rekindle relationships, as well as build new ones."

The tourney began with an icebreaker Friday night when the teams met at Bama Park to enjoy a relaxing cookout where they could "talk the talk" before they would "walk the walk."

"The ice breaker gave the players the opportunity to talk "smack" about who was going to be the best Ammo softball team," Orr said.

Officially the tournament got underway as the 355th Wing Color Guard posted the colors and Col. Kathleen Spencer, the 355th Logistics Group commander fired the first pitch to Maj. Larry Bates, 355th EMS commander.

The players came out swinging in round-robin play in two brackets to determine seeding for Sunday's double elimination tournament play action.

D-M struggled as they lost their first two games. However, they continued to make changes, not only to their lineup, but to their field positions.

"We made some changes, relaxed a little bit and changed our attitudes," said first baseman Rico Specht. "We started to play to win." However, not before Cannon would send them into the loser's bracket.

D-M hammered the runs out and put numbers on the board to earn them a shot at the championship game having defeated a very tough competitor, Hill, 18-11.

Perhaps it was the fact that Cannon had already beaten them, or maybe it was the hard-hitting and the runs Cannon put up on the board, that made D-M look like a defeated team.

"We started to come alive and made a solid run after them," Orr said. "But it wasn't enough." Cannon swept the tourney, beating D-M, 32-17.

"The tourney was an absolute success," Orr said.

Despite their final loss, Orr said he was pleased with the level of

Gonzales hauls in a fly ball during Ammo Bowl action.

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Martin "Gonzo" Gonzales, pitcher for the Davis-Monthan Ammo team, waits on a pitch during Ammo Bowl action.

play, but more importantly, the participation that came from not only the players, but from Phil Kennedy from Headquarters, Air Force, the 355th EMS and aerospace ground equipment flight and the color guard.

He stated that the tournament was just another example of how the Ammo units pull together and bond.

"When you go to functions on base and you hear AMMO Hoo-ah! It isn't only a chant you hear, but a close-knit family coming together for a member of our Ammo family. Esprit de corps is still alive and well today among the Ammo community."

## **Sports Shorts**

#### **Triathlon**

The 8th Annual Sprint Triathlon is Sunday. Military and civilian men and women take part in an 800-yard swim, a 12.5-mile bicycle race, and a 3.1-mile run. Singles compete by age, and members of three-person teams participate in one event each. Individuals register for \$35; teams pay \$45. Pick up registration packages at the outdoor recreation center, in Building 4430, or call 8-3736.

#### Base roll-offs

It's time for the base team roll-offs. Bowlers who make the team spend a week in Las Vegas at the Worldwide Tournament. Roll-offs are \$25 for 18 games (six games a day). Choose three days from the following available dates: Monday, Wednesday, and Sept. 18, 20, 22, 25, 27 and 29. Games start at 11:30 a.m. Get more information at 8-3461.

#### Vegas League

Bowlers can sign up now for the D-M Lanes new 32-week Vegas League. League play is Wednesdays at 6 p.m., starting next week. Players pay just \$10 a week. Then, at the end of 32 weeks, players board a chartered bus for a no-cost one-day turnaround trip to Las Vegas. Call 8-3461 for more information.

#### Football Frenzy

Football Frenzy is every Monday at the Desert Oasis Club. Fans are invited to the club every Monday for NFL football, snacks, pizza, wings and beverage specials. Valuable local prizes will be given away every week. Members and their guests can win mini footballs, sports bags and pullovers and a \$150 MasterCard gift card. National prize winners go to the San Francisco-San Diego game, Dec. 3, the Tampa Super Bowl, Jan. 28, and the Honolulu Pro Bowl, Feb. 4. Trips include

airfare and hotel accommodations for two, and a rental car. Only club members (either club) are eligible for national prizes. Sponsors are SatoTravel, Miller Brewing Co., American Airlines, Comfort Inn (San Diego), Double Tree Alana Waikiki (Pro Bowl), and Air Force Clubs (no federal endorsement intended). Call the Desert Oasis for further details at 748-8666.

#### Skeet and trap

D-M's modern skeet and trap ranges open at 8 a.m., Saturdays and Sundays. Military shooters pay \$3 a round; civilians pay \$3.50. Per-round savings are available for purchasers of annual range fees. Ranges are at the east end of Yuma Road, adjacent to the small arms range. Find out more from the outdoor recreation center, at 8-3736.

#### NFL kids' promotion

Youngsters 8 to 15 are invited to take part in the NFL Punt, Pass & Kick competition. PP&K, hosted by the youth center, is at 8 a.m., Sept. 24, at the football field next to Bama Park. Participants get ribbons, prizes, certificates, and a chance to compete at the national level, at an Arizona Cardinals home game. Register soon at the youth center, Building 6000 (bring proof of age). Volunteers are needed to help out. Call youth center sports director Kathy Sands, at 8-8373.

#### Womens golf league

The D-M Lady Niners are now playing Wednesday mornings at the Blanchard Course. The group welcomes all adult women players --military, family members and eligible civilians. Sign up at the course, or call Sue Sweeney at 624-5183 for more information.

#### Pro shop sale

At the D-M Lanes Pro Shop sale, buyers save

10 percent on all balls, bags and shoes. Sale items are limited to current inventory; no special orders can be accepted at these prices. Shop early for best selection. The sale starts today, and ends Sept. 30. Get more information at 8-3461. The pro shop is open Monday through Saturday.

#### Smoking policy, leagues

Smoking is not allowed at the D-M Lanes until after 3 p.m., Wednesdays and Saturdays. On all other days, smokers can light up in the lounge, and on lanes 11 through 20 only.

Bowlers should sign up now for winter leagues, beginning Tuesday. Teams meet mornings, afternoons and evenings. Lanes, pro shop and Head Pin Café are open Monday through Saturday. Call 8-3461 for more information.

#### Golf/lunch special

Golfers buying lunch any weekend get a second meal (equal or less value) at no charge, just by showing their golf receipt.

This two-for-one special is valid Saturdays and Sundays, at the Eagle's Nest Restaurant. Call the pro shop, 8-3734, or restaurant, 8-7066.

#### Rugby players sought

Players are needed for the upcoming rugby season, which starts in the fall and continues until the spring.

Call Jay Gregson, 8-2136; Larry Bates, 8-4874; or Dick Battock, 886-7003, for more information

#### Aerobics, exercise classes

The staff at the Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center offer a full lineup of exercise and aerobics classes each week. Call 8-3714 for more information.

#### Scoreboard -

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#### **Chapel events**

#### Protestant schedule

**Today:** Aim High Bible Study, 7 p.m., Chapel 1 annex. Call 889-1715 for more information.

**Saturday:** Couples' Bible Study, 7 p.m., call 749-5550 for more information.

**Sunday:** Contemporary Worship Service, 8:30 a.m., Chapel 1; Sunday School, 10 a.m., Chapels 1 and 2; Traditional Worship Service, 11:15 a.m., Chapel 2 annex; Inspirational Gospel Worship Service, 11:15 a.m., Chapel 1.

**Tuesday:** Singles' Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Building 3220.

**Wednesday:** Midweek Bible Study, noon, Chapel 1; Prayer and Teaching Time, 7 p.m., Chapel 1; Youth Night, for middle and high school groups, Chapel 1, 7 p.m. Call 8-5411 for more information.

#### Catholic schedule

**Saturday:** Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel 1; Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Joseph's Church, 4 to 5 p.m.

**Sunday:** Mass, 7:30 and 10 a.m., Chapel 1; Sacrament of Reconciliation, 9:15 to 9:45 a.m., Chapel 1; there will be no Confraternity of Christian Doctrine until September.

**Monday through Friday:** Rosary, 11:10 a.m., Chapel 2; Mass or communion service, 11:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

**Wednesday:** Rite for Christian Initiation 7 to 8:30 p.m., Chapel 1.

#### Islamic schedule

**Today:** Prayer service, noon to 2 p.m., Building 3220, third floor-west; educational classes, 6 to 8 p.m., Building 3220, third-floor west.



#### On-base clubs

#### Officers Club

**Today**: Members birthday party. **Saturday**: Prime rib for two, \$19.95. **Sunday**: Mini buffet, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. **Monday**: Lunch is weekdays, 11 a.m. to 1

Tuesday: Crud playoffs, 6 to 9 p.m.

**Wednesday**: Two-for-one steak night, 5:30 to 8 p.m. Crud playoffs, 6 to 9 p.m.

**Thursday**: Two-for-one fajitas, \$11.95, from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

#### **Desert Oasis Enlisted Club**

**Today**: Seafood or prime rib special, 5 to 8 p.m.

**Saturday**: Sports bar opens at 5 p.m. **Sunday**: Club closed; Cabana open, call 747-3234.

**Monday**: Football Frenzy at 7 p.m. **Tuesday**: Lunch is Tues. through Fri., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wednesday: Dollar Off Night.

#### Crud challenge

Air Combat Command Crud Challenge games are Tuesday and Wednesday, at the Officers Club, 6 to 9 p.m. The local playoff winner represents D-M at the ACC finals, at Nellis AFB, Oct. 25 through 27. D-M top team members get \$100 club credits; ACC's top three teams win air travel vouchers. Crud is sponsored by Allied Domecq Spirits USA. Stop by the O' Club, or call 748-0660.



#### Youth programs

**Today**: Youth center preteen dance, 6 to 9 p.m.

**Saturday**: Base pool closed after today. **Monday**: Teens, ask about Teen Bucks. **Tuesday**: Preteen/teen ping pong tourney at youth center.

**Wednesday**: Youth center Power Hour, 4 to 5 p.m. Primary movie and pizza, 5:30 to 7 p.m.,

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at youth center.

**Thursday**: Call the CDC, 8-3336, about hourly child care. ACC Teen Lock-in, Oct. 13; call the youth center, 8-8365.



#### **Community events**

**Today**: Family Cosmic Bowl, 7 to 11 p.m. **Saturday**: Last day to use the base pool; hours, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Sunday**: Triathlon starts at 7 a.m., at the pool.

**Monday**: Shop Nogales, Saturday with ITT, call 8-3700. Community center youth dance classes, 6 to 8 p.m.

**Tuesday**: Senior Fun Time at the D-M Lanes, 1 p.m.; call 8-3461. Community center kids dance classes, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday**: Nat'l. Monument tour, Oct. 7 to 9, call outdoor recreation, 8-3736.

**Thursday**: Calligraphy class starts at the skills center, call 8-4385.

#### Win a family vacation

Your family could be one of eight at D-M to win three-night vacation packages in Air Combat Command's Be a Hero promotion. Drawings are Fridays, Oct. 20 through Dec. 15 (except Nov. 10). A separate drawing, Dec. 15, is for a \$200 long-distance voucher from AT&T. There's no cost to enter. Just pick up a Be a Hero card at a local Services location. When an adult and child take part in a services activity, their card is stamped (most activities are participating). Cards with five stamps are eligible for the next drawing. Visit www.servicity.com to earn bonus stamps (no federal endorsement of sponsors intended). Enter often. There's no limit on the number of cards your family can fill. Winners select from 98 U.S. and foreign vacation destinations. All packages offer deluxe resort accommodations, breakfast, golf, free admissions and discount coupons (packages may vary; transportation is not included). A Be a Hero Poster Contest continues through Sept. 22, at the child development center and youth center. Winners from each of four age groups get their own filled Be a Hero card, which is entered into a drawing for another family vacation. Find out more at most D-M Services locations, or contact services marketing at 8-5950.

#### **Excess property sale**

Don't miss the 355th Services Squadron's excess property sale, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sept. 27, at the old Aero Club hangar, Building 1749 (north end of First Street, at Bola). Miscellaneous items from lodging, the skills development center and other services activities will be sold. Merchandise was purchased with nonappropriated funds and is no longer needed. Purchases are on an as-is basis, and all sales are final. Shop early; selection is limited. Get additional information from Services Logistics, at 8-4069.

#### See contest entries

Artist-Craftsman and Photography Contest entries are on display at the outdoor recreation center today. The exhibit closes at 5 p.m.

Entries can be seen Tuesday, at the Officers Club, noon to 6:30 p.m.; awards follow, at 4:30 p.m. Contact the skills center at 8-4385, or come to Building 4531.



#### **Family support**

**Saturday:** Give Parents A Break, 2 to 6 p.m., child development center and youth center.

**Monday:** Financial Briefing, 8 to 11 a.m., community center, Building 4201.

**Tuesday:**. Time for Tots, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1, Interview workshop, 8 to 11 a.m., community center, Building 4201.

**Thursday:** Fun Time Activity Group, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

#### Fun Time group

"Fun Time" is a new activity group for children that features story time, singing and dancing, crafts and much, much more. This group is for children 4 years old and under and their parent or guardian. "Fun Time" is sponsored by the family support center and meets every Thursday from 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. in Chapel 1. The group is free and registration is not required. Contact 8-5690 for more information.

#### Information, referral

The family support center is a one-stop information center on services provided on base and in the Tucson community. Each individual and family has their own unique needs. There are many agencies on and off base to assist in helping to meet those needs. If you have questions or need assistance with any matter, call the family support center at 8-5690.

#### Right Start program

Right Start is a base introductory program sponsored by the family support center, which is designed to welcome all newcomers, military, DoD civilians, and their spouses. "Tucson the Official Postcard Video" is viewed, showing an informative and fabulous tour of Tucson and its near by areas which include museums, shops, art galleries, resorts, restaurants, old western towns, and night life. Then D-M's senior leadership speak about the variety of programs available at D-M focusing on quality of life and work issues. Sign up to attend by calling Military Personnel Flight, INTRO Office at 8-3076/4478. Right Start will be conducted on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, at the community center, Building 4201, from 8 a.m. to noon. The Medical Right Start program begins from 1 to 4 p.m. For additional information, please contact the family support center at 8-5690.

#### Time for Tots

Time for tots is a weekly playgroup open to parents and children ages 4 and younger. The group meets Tuesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Chapel 1. Call 8-5690 for more information.

#### **Hearts Apart bowling**

Is your spouse on temporary duty or remote assignment? Come join the hearts apart group for a day of free bowling and pizza Sept. 23 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the bowling center. Call the family support center, at 8-5690 for more information.

#### **Trip Planner**

Getting ready to move? Traveling by vehicle? The relocation assistance program at the family support center has trip planner software available to help military, DoD civilians, and their families. To find out more or to make an appointment for this service, call the family support center at 8-5690.

#### Interviewing workshop

Attend the interviewing workshop Tuesday from 8 to 11 a.m. to help prepare for the job interview, at the community center, Building 4201. For more information or reservations, call 8-5690.

#### Volunteers needed

The Boys and Girls Club Holiday Auction, will be held on Nov. 25 at the Westin La Paloma. Volunteers will be needed to do a variety of auction work to help raise money for Tucson's Boys and Girls Clubs. Duties consist of overseeing the silent auction and other varied functions. Two shifts are available from 5 to 8 p.m. and 8 p.m. to midnight. Volunteers receive special T-shirts. For further information or to sign-up for this activity, please contact Sue Brooks at 202-2400 or Clayton Moore, base volunteer coordinator at 8-6042.

#### Designated drivers needed

Designated Driver's Association of Tucson is looking for volunteers to work at least one day a month from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. to respond to calls and drive patrons and their vehicles home safely. Free non-alcoholic drinks provided. Call Troy at 591-0327 or Clayton Moore at 8-6042 for more information.

#### Mini job fairs

The family support center will be hosting a series of mini job fairs for D-M active-duty, family members, retirees, and DoD civilian workers who are looking for employment in the Greater Tucson Metropolitan Area. These mini job fairs will feature 10 different Tucson employers each month and will offer full-time and part-time employment. For those seeking part-time employment, non-standard shifts and juggling child care responsibilities, hours will be available from these employers. The job fairs will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. at the community center, Building 4201. The schedule for the remainder of calendar year 2000 is as follows: Oct. 13, Nov. 9, and Dec. 8. Reservations for the job fairs are not required. Workshops are available to help you prepare by building resume and interview skills. Reservations are recommended for these workshops. Call the family support center at 8-5690 for current information about employers who will attend the mini job fairs and to sign up for workshops.



#### **Education services**

#### Spouse scholarship

Applications for the Aerospace Education Foundation Spouse Scholarship are now available at the base education office. This program is designed to encourage thirty Air Force spouses worldwide to pursue associate/bachelor undergraduate or graduate/postgraduate degrees. The applicant must be a spouse of Air Force Active Duty, Air National Guard or Air Force Reserves. Spouses who are themselves Air Force members, or in ROTC, are not eligible. Application deadline is Nov. 1. Please stop by the education office, Building 3200, Room 262 and pick up your application.

#### Park University benefits

Tuition assistance, veterans benefits and financial aid are available to assist students with their educational goals. Forms are available in the office. Park University offers degrees in Criminal Justice Administration, Management, Management/Accounting, Management/Human Resources, Management/Finance and Social Psychology. Call the office at 748-8266, fax us at 750-8675 or e-mail us at parkcollege@theriver.com.

#### School registration

The Fall II term begins on October 16. Registration for on-site classes begins on Monday. Registration for the internet classes begins on Sept. 25. Tuition will be increasing by \$5 per credit hour beginning this term. Onsite registration forms and payment need to be in our office no later than the Friday before the term starts in order to avoid the \$20 late fee which will be charged to all students who come in to register during the Add/Drop period. For internet registration, payment has to be made at the time of registration. Call 748-8266 with any questions.



#### Other agencies

#### Native American heritage

**What**: Planning Session for Nov. 2000 Native American History Month.

**Who**: Anyone who is interested in joining the committee.

Where: Officers Club.

When: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Tuesday.

**Why**: Enhancement of cross-cultural awareness of Native Americans.

Call Capt. Ruth Kawano, 8-1594, for more information. Members need not be of Native American descent but must have a genuine interest in enhancing awareness of American Indians' vital role in history and the future.

#### Jewelers sale

The Officers' Wives Club is hosting its annual James Jewelers Sale Sept. 22. The sale will be held at the Officers Club from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The OWC's proceeds from this sale go into the Charitable Fund which supports scholarships, Kids' Week and base organizations. All ranks are welcome.

#### **Fashions show**

The Officers' Wives Club will be hosting a Thrift Shop fashion show and luncheon Sept. 21. The luncheon menu is: curried chicken salad in tomato, fresh fruit, rolls, chocolate mousse, tea, coffee or chef salad. The cost is \$9.55. Social begins at 11 a.m. with sit down at 11:30 a.m. Call Marla Howes at 751-9155 for reservations. Newcomers welcome.

#### Retiree appreciation day

To attend the retiree orientation and appreciation day event, scheduled for Oct. 12, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., in the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club, call the Retiree Activities Office, 8-5100,

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, to sign-up. Space is limited so sign-up now.

#### Thrift Shop open

The Thrift Shop is open Tuesdays and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Consignents are taken until 1p.m. Call 8-2120 to reserve space for large items and furniture. The shop is located in Building 3220 on Ironwood.

#### **TRICARE** Prime update

A TRICARE Prime Update for Prime enrollees and TRICARE Standard beneficiaries will be held at the 355th Medical Group conference room in Building 410 (adjacent to the medical group main building) 10 a.m., Tuesday. TRICARE Prime topics to be covered are: reenrollment, co-pays, less out-of-pocket costs, portability, split enrollment, out-of-area and emergency care, and other recent changes to the TRICARE program. The seminar will be approximately 40 minutes long with additional time for questions and answers. For more information, call the TRICARE Service Center at 512-1420.

#### Correction

In the Sept. 15 edition issue of the Desert Airman an error was made in the article "Medics travel leaner, lighter." Several quotes by Col. (Dr.) Thomas Scott were attributed to Maj. Clare Thomas.



#### Movie theater

**Tonight**: Big Momma's House, (PG-13), 7 p.m.

Saturday: X-Men, (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**Sunday**: X-Men, (PG-13), 7 p.m. Thomas and the Magic Railroad, (G), 1 p.m.

**Sept. 22**: Nutty Professor II, (PG-13), 7 p.m. **Sept. 23**: Nutty Professor II, (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**Sept. 24**: Scary Movie, (R), 7 p.m.